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## State Water Resources Control Board

March 21, 2019

System No. 2910013

James Mathias, Assistant Chief  
Washington Ridge Conservation Camp  
11425 Conservation Camp Road  
Nevada City, CA 95959

### **CITATION NO. 01-09-19C-005 NITRATE MONITORING VIOLATION FOR 2018**

Enclosed is Citation No. 01-09-19C-005 (hereinafter "Citation"), issued to the Washington Ridge Conservation Camp (hereinafter "Washington Ridge C.C."), public water system. Please note there are legally enforceable deadlines associated with this Citation.

The Washington Ridge C.C. will be billed at the State Water Resources Control Board's (hereinafter "State Water Board") hourly rate for the time spent on issuing this Citation. California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC") Section 116577 provides that a public water system must reimburse the State Water Board for actual costs incurred by the State Water Board for specified enforcement actions, including preparing, issuing and monitoring compliance with a citation. At this time, the State Water Board has spent approximately 2 hour(s) on enforcement activities associated with this violation.

The Washington Ridge C.C. will receive a bill sent from the State Water Board in August of the next fiscal year. This bill will contain fees for any enforcement time spent on the Washington Ridge C.C. for the current fiscal year.

Any person who is aggrieved by a citation, order or decision issued under authority delegated to an officer or employee of the State Water Board under Article 8 (commencing with CHSC, Section 116625) or Article 9 (commencing with CHSC, Section 116650), of the Safe Drinking Water Act (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4), may file a petition with the State Water Board for reconsideration of the citation, order or decision.

Petitions must be received by the State Water Board within 30 days of the issuance of the citation, order or decision by the officer or employee of the State Water Board. The date of issuance is the date when the Division of Drinking Water mails a copy of the citation, order or decision. If the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition is due the following business day by 5:00 p.m.

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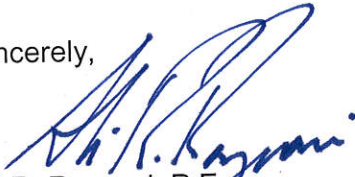
1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 | Mailing Address: P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-0100 | [www.waterboards.ca.gov](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov)

Information regarding filing petitions may be found at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking\\_water/programs/petitions/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/programs/petitions/index.shtml)

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Austin Peterson of my staff at (916) 341-5559 or me at (916) 445-5285.

Sincerely,



Ali R. Rezvani, P.E.  
Sacramento District Engineer  
Division of Drinking Water  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

Enclosures

Certified Mail No. 7003 2260 0002 4638 2304

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950 Maidu Avenue  
Nevada City, CA 95959

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

**Name of Public Water System:** Washington Ridge Conservation Camp

**Water System No:** 2910013

**Attention:** James Mathias, Assistant Chief  
11425 Conservation Camp Road  
Nevada City, CA 95959

**Issued:** March 21, 2019

**CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE**  
**CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, SECTION 116555 AND**  
**CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, SECTION 64432.1(a)**

**NITRATE MONITORING VIOLATION**

**2018**

The California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC"), Section 116650 authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "State Water Board"), to issue a citation to a public water system when the State Water Board determines that the public water system has violated or is violating the California Safe Drinking Water Act (hereinafter "California SDWA"), (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4,



commencing with Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, permit, or order issued or adopted thereunder.

The State Water Board, acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division"), and the Deputy Director for the Division, hereby issues Citation No. 01-09-19C-005 (hereinafter "Citation"), pursuant to Section 116650 of the CHSC to the Washington Ridge Conservation Camp (hereinafter "Washington Ridge C.C."), for violation of CHSC, Section 116555(a)(1) and California Code of Regulations (hereinafter "CCR"), Title 22, Section 64432.1(a).

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Washington Ridge C.C. is classified as a Community Water System public water system with a population of 80, serving one (1) connection. The Washington Ridge C.C. operates under Domestic Water Supply Permit No. 01-89-006 issued by the State Water Board on July 26, 1989. The Washington Ridge C.C. is using groundwater sources to supply potable water to the distribution system.

CHSC, Section 116555 requires all public water systems to comply with primary drinking water standards as defined in CHSC, Section 116275(c). Primary drinking water standards include maximum levels of contaminants, specific treatment standards, and monitoring and reporting requirements as specified in regulations adopted by the State Water Board.

Pursuant to CCR, Title 22, Section 64432.1(a), the Washington Ridge C.C. is required to collect one sample annually for nitrate testing from each source. During 2018, the Washington Ridge C.C. failed to collect a nitrate sample from Well 05, Primary Station Code 2910013-005.

## DETERMINATION

The State Water Board has determined that the Washington Ridge C.C. has failed to comply with primary drinking water standards pursuant to CHSC, Section 116555 and nitrate monitoring requirements pursuant to CCR, Title 22, Section 64432.1(a) during 2018.

## DIRECTIVES

The Washington Ridge C.C. is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. By **July 1, 2019**, notify all persons served by the Washington Ridge C.C. of the violation of CCR, Title 22, 64432.1(a), in conformance with Sections 64463.7 and 64465. The notification must be completed in accordance with the following:
  - Section 64463.7 allows the Washington Ridge C.C. to utilize the 2018 Consumer Confidence Report to meet the requirement of notification within a one-year period. In addition to the required information for the Consumer Confidence Report, the Washington Ridge C.C. must include the following language in the Consumer Confidence Report: "We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During the calendar year 2018, we did not monitor for nitrate from Well 05 and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time."
2. Complete Appendix 1: Compliance Certification Form. Submit it together with a copy of the public notification required by Directive 1 to the State Water Board by **July 1, 2019**.

1 3. The Washington Ridge C.C. shall ensure that monitoring is conducted annually  
2 for nitrate from all its active sources and that the laboratory, which conducts the  
3 analysis, submits the analytical results electronically by a State Water Board  
4 approved method no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the month following completion of  
5 the analyses.

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7 The Washington Ridge C.C. shall collect and report the 2019 annual nitrate  
8 sample result from Well 05 by **May 31, 2019**.

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10 4. By **April 19, 2019**, complete and return to the State Water Board the "Notification  
11 of Receipt" form attached to this Citation as Appendix 2. Completion of this form  
12 confirms that the Washington Ridge C.C. has received this Citation and  
13 understands that it contains legally enforceable directives(s) with due dates.

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15 All submittals required by this Citation, unless otherwise specified in the directives  
16 above, must be electronically submitted to the State Water Board at the following  
17 address. The subject line for all electronic submittals corresponding to this Citation  
18 must include the following information: Water System name and number, citation  
19 number and title of the document being submitted.

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21 Ali R. Rezvani, P.E.  
22 Sacramento District Engineer  
23 Division of Drinking Water  
24 STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
25 Dwpdist09@waterboards.ca.gov

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27 The State Water Board reserves the right to make modifications to this Citation it may  
28 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued  
29 as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.



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2 Nothing in this Citation relieves the Washington Ridge C.C. of its obligation to meet the  
3 requirements of the California SDWA (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4,  
4 commencing with Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued  
5 or adopted thereunder.

#### 6 7 **PARTIES BOUND**

8 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Washington Ridge C.C., its owners,  
9 shareholders, officers, directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and  
10 assignees.

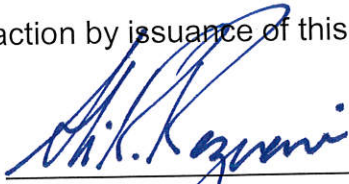
#### 11 12 **SEVERABILITY**

13 The directives of this Citation are severable, and the Washington Ridge C.C. shall  
14 comply with each and every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any  
15 provision.

#### 16 17 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

18 The California SDWA authorizes the State Water Board to: issue a citation or order with  
19 assessment of administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or  
20 continued violation of the requirements of the California SDWA or any regulation,  
21 permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder including, but not  
22 limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or compliance order. The  
23 California SDWA also authorizes the State Water Board to take action to suspend or  
24 revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the public water system  
25 has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an order of the  
26 State Water Board, and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement  
27 measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with an order of the

1 State Water Board. The State Water Board does not waive any further enforcement  
2 action by issuance of this Citation.

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March 21, 2019

5 Ali R. Rezvani, P.E.  
6 Sacramento District Engineer  
7 Division of Drinking Water  
8 STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

Date

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10 Appendices 2:

- 11 1. Compliance Certification Form  
12 2. Notification of Receipt Form  
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14 Certified Mail No. 7003 2260 0002 4638 2304





## APPENDIX 1. COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

**Citation Number:** 01-09-19C-005

**Name of Water System:** Washington Ridge C.C.

**System Number:** 2910013

### Certification

I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the nitrate monitoring violation of California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64432.1(a) for the compliance period of 2018 and the required actions listed below were completed.

Required Action	Date Completed
(Citation Directive 1) Public Notification Method(s) Used: _____	
(Citation Directive 3) Nitrate Sample Collection Date: _____	

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Water System Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Attach a copy of the public notice distributed to the water system's customers.**

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE STATE WATER BOARD,  
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER, NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2019**

**Disclosure:** Be advised that the California Health and Safety Code, Sections 116725 and 116730 state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act may be liable for, respectively, a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that violation continues, or be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

## Appendix 2 – Notification of Receipt

**Citation Number:** 01-09-19C-005

**Name of Water System:** Washington Ridge C.C.

**System Number:** 2910013

### Certification

I certify that I am an authorized representative of the Washington Ridge C.C. and that Citation No. 01-09-19C-005 was received on \_\_\_\_\_. Further I certify that the Citation has been reviewed by the appropriate management staff of the Washington Ridge C.C. and it is clearly understood that Citation No. 01-09-19C-005 contains legally enforceable directives with specific due dates.

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Signature of Water System Representative

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Date

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE STATE WATER BOARD,  
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER, NO LATER THAN APRIL 19, 2019**

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